



Arttime

"I was part of the insides of that monster..."



Alvarez

"For the political prisoners - cruelty with the utmost obscenity..."



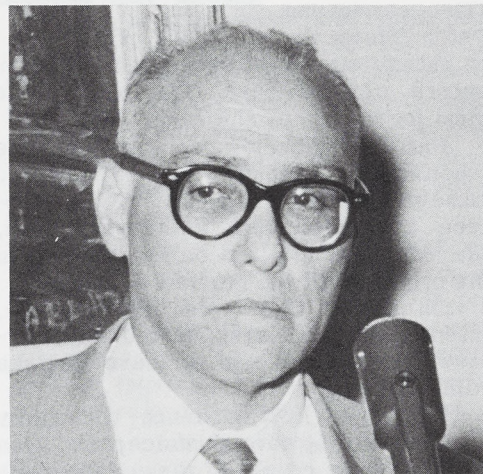
Carrillo

"Bankruptcy and economic suffocation from total State control..."



Rasco

"Fidel Castro - greatest Judas of Democracy in the world today..."



Varona

"Enslavement of workers instead of improved working conditions..."



Sanchez Arango

"Agrarian reform - a trick and a swindle..."

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Tues., Aug. 2 - Open House:
Discussion of non-English press in America with **Ed Hunter** (Story, p. 5)

Fri., Aug. 5 - "Dinner on the House" Night. Free dinners for member and one guest holding lucky ticket. Drawing at 8:00 p.m. (Story, p. 7)

Tues., Aug. 9 - Special Open House: Forum on news coverage of Dem. & Rep. Nat'l Conventions, by 8 OPC members who were there. Details next week. Usual evening hours.

CUBA'S "DEMOCRACY" EXPOSED BY FORMER CASTRO SUPPORTERS

The "five big lies" of Fidel Castro were exposed to a standing room audience at the OPC on Thursday, July 21. The four-hour program delivered a drama-packed account of first-hand testimony of the leaders of the new Revolutionary Democratic Front and the grim revelation of why they broke with the Cuban Dictator.

The former anti-Batista, now anti-Castro, Cuban leaders emphasized their

resentment toward the tyranny and betrayals of the communist-inspired regime destroying their country.

Accompanying the five spokesmen on their OPC visit were: Dr. Eric Aguero, former Cuban Ambassador to West Germany who recently resigned to oppose Castro; and Dr. Elio Alvarez, former Cuban Appellate Judge.

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Overseas Ticker



..... Edited by CHARLES KLENSCH.....

CONGO.....from HENRY TOLUZZI (by cable) July 26 (delayed)

The oddest assortment of chartered aircraft I have ever seen winged into Elizabethville, Katanga province, carrying UPI's Ray Maloney from Salisbury, this NBC-Nairobi corr, TimeLife stngr Eric Robins, the CBS reporter-cameraman team of John Collier and Ted Mullis, plus a full complement of Fleetstreeters and Brit TV crews.

The handful of reporters covering the turbulent eastern and central Congo found it difficult merely to stay on the sidelines, reporting the news—without making headlines themselves every time they moved into rebel-held areas.

UPI's Maloney, first reporter to reach besieged Luluaburg, covered the airport held by Belgian paratroopers, then got the other side of the story by venturing into the rebel-held city. He barely escaped injury when rebel bullets zipped through his car on his first—and last—sortie to town.

A more civilized reception was accorded to BBC cameraman Robinson and ITN cameraman Peter Brown by an enterprising rebel patrol in an African suburb of Luluaburg. The patrol held them for ransom of \$50 each.

ParisMatch photog Jan Berry and the reporter who accompanied him received somewhat better treatment. When Congolese army mutineers intercepted them, the Matchmen insisted on being taken to the president of the provincial govt.

On arrival they were offered lunch, interrogated for 2 hrs, granted the interview and then ordered to leave Katanga within 24 hrs.

This NBC corr's French vocabulary was enriched by several choice profanities muttered by a couple of disgusted rebels who drew a total blank at their roadblock outside the Luluaburg RR station.

I explained that eager irregulars had relieved me of all my cash a week before, a thousand miles away in Katanga.

C'est la guerre.

TOKYO.....from GENE KRAMER

The Tokyo Fgn Corrs Club is petitioning the Japanese Ministry of Fgn Affairs for 'full access to the news' following lockout of fgn agency reporters from a newsconf given by Fgn Min Fujiyama at the climax of the US-Japan security pact crisis.

AP and UPI reporters were stopped at the door when Fujiyama talked with newsmen June 23, following ratification of the treaty. Official excuse — the conf was sponsored by the Fgn Min domestic press-

club and limited to its members.

Some Fgn Corr Club members favored stronger measures, but the majority voted to send the professional activities committee—headed by Reuters chief corr Sydney Brookes—to the Fgn Ministry to negotiate for equal treatment.

Exclusive newsconfs for the local press—under the auspices of pressclubs which bar foreigners—have long been a sore subject with Tokyo's fgn presscorps. Even bi-lingual fgn agency men are barred—on grounds that their presence would inhibit ofcls from speaking freely.

Other Tokyo FCC notes: Mrs Pat Beson, Newswk, reelected treas in a runoff election against Sheldon Wesson, Fairchild. (For other election results, see Bulletin of July 9.)...Chief Justice Kataro Tanaka addressed members and guests at an FCC professional luncheon July 21.

Hayato Ikeda was elected standard-bearer of the Japanese Conservative party at just about the same hour Sen Kennedy won the Democrats standard at Los Angeles, so it looked as if the Tokyo story wouldn't get much play—until an ultranationalist terrorist stabbed outgoing PM Kishi a bit later in the day.

Comings — goings: UPI Pres Frank Bartholemew has flown back to the US after an extensive Fareast trip....AP buochief John Randolph back in Tokyo after a 3-month, round-the-world trip, his 1st homeleave since the Korean war.... AP Asia photo ed Hal Buell and newsman John Roderick entrained for ancient Kyoto and the annual Gion geisha festival—a breather following half-a-year of covering fast-breaking stories.

TAIPEI.....from GERALDINE FITCH

Good news for newsmen passing in and out of Taiwan: you can now make a 72-hr stopover without visa, or obtain a multiple-entry visa good for one year.

Ken Spence, Okinawa Morning Star, and Jose Dantas, New Japan Diario de Noticias (Brazil), currently visiting.... This govt info ofc ed has been doing a volunteer job, writing human interest stories on the 3-wk concert tour of Taiwan by blind students of the Hongkong Music Training Center.

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Also on the dais were: *Adolf A. Berle, Jr.*, former U.S. Asst. Secretary of State and U.S. Ambassador to Brazil; *Kenneth Holland*, President of the International Institute of Education and member of the Eisenhower Advisory Committee on Latin America; *Virginia Prewett*, *Wash. Daily News* and Bell Syndicate Latin American columnist, who coordinated the program; *James Sheldon*, Open House Committee Chairman; *Bill Mizelle* and *Bob Cole*, who assisted in translating, *Ernest Cuneo*, President of NANA-Bell Syndicate; OPC Vice President *Ansel E. Talbert*, who presided for Pres. *John Luter*; and OPC Treasurer *Franz Weissblatt*.

Falsification of "Democracy"

In exposing the farce of Castro's constitutional and democratic promises Dr. *Jose Ignacio Rasco*, Secretary of the Revolutionary Democratic Front and President of the Christian Democratic Movement (in exile) said:

"Fidel Castro's regime has betrayed Cuba in America... and has established a dictatorial totalitarian, nepotistic and communist regime that has officially declared the Prime Minister's younger brother to be its political heir and that has handled multitudes as Hitler, Mussolini and Peron have done before..."

Economic regime

Attacking the economic situation, Dr. *Justo Carrillo*, former head of the Development Bank, reported:

"The 1,000 best agricultural and industrial enterprises, now controlled by the most ignorant production executives, have been driven to bankruptcy while others undergo economic suffocation resulting from total State control... An unreasonable policy of public expenses - 350 million per year of deficit on a budget of 750 million - has provoked inflation. Not one new industry has been established, nor one new product cultivated. Tourism, our second national income source, is paralyzed..."

Army Bites Budget

An early close supporter of Castro in the Cuban revolution, dynamic young former Castro captain *Dr. Manuel Artime Buesa*, (Sierra Maestro mountain fighter and author of "Treason—20,000 Cuban Graves Cry Out"), charged that:

"the original goal of a smaller Army separated from government politics has been abandoned... The Army continues as an excessive bite into the national budget at 120 million pesos per year. Castro aims for a communist revolution in South America and offers aid to overthrow existing governments with money and arms. The Cuban Army today has more arms than it ever did."

Castro knows that he has failed in Cuba, but he wants to provoke the U.S. into performing an aggressive act and

thus stir up anti-U.S. hatred among other Latin-American countries to speed the processes of a revolutionary movement..."

Illegal Deductions

Speaking on worker's conditions, *Dr. Manuel A. de Varona*, senate majority leader, former Cuban Prime Minister and head of the Autentico party, stated:

"In its zeal to regiment labor, the Government has not only taken over complete control of the unions, but it has removed the workers representatives and stolen all of their prerogatives. With the State gaining control of industries, commercial centers and business in general, not only are wages frozen at low levels, but there are illegal deductions taken from wages which are not authorized by law or consented to by workers. It is estimated that the Cuban wage earner suffers a 20% deduction from every paycheck, which before Castro came to power was less than 5%..."

One Crop Economy - False

Agriarian Reform in Cuba was described as one of the biggest lies by *Dr. Aureliano Sanchez Arango*, economics professor and leader of the democratic front Triple A movement. *Dr. Arango* estimated that farm workers salaries had been reduced in value 60% by such means as forced purchases in "people's stores". He said:

"The regime claims that sugar was the greatest contributor to the gross national product, with the despicable overtones of a one crop economy - when the truth is that sugar has steadily been losing rank in the national income, dropping from 40% of the GNP in the 1940's to only 22% in 1956..."

Large scale production through co-operatives constitutes a colossal swindle. Profits are never shared and in 746 production centers, the peasant has simply changed bosses and they are now dictatorially imprisoned within the zones of the particular agricultural development..."

Inhuman Treatment

The surprise guest of the evening was *Dr. Elio Alvarez*, Former Magistrate of the Judicial Power in Cuba and one of the political prisoners mistreated in the jails of Castro's Communist regime. In his stirring account of the inhuman treatment given the prisoners, *Dr. Alvarez* said:

"In the political prisons are represented all social spheres of Cuba - professionals, politicians, militaries and businessmen."

The following is just one of the many dramas that happen periodically in Castro's prisons. "About midnight of last March 16, 110 prisoners and I were sleeping in a long cell. We were awakened with screams and insults by about 40 men armed with machine guns, who obliged us to go out into the yard of the jail completely nude. There, we found 500 in-

CASTRO vs. MAO

Fidel Castro's days are definitely numbered, according to returns from the first membership survey conducted by the Information Committee.

Of the 20% who returned questionnaires, 63% voted Castro the weakest among four political strong men; Mao Tse-Tung was named strongest by 77%.

While 79% gave Castro a year or less - 94% felt the longest he can last is two years or less.

Voting by overseas members, on Castro as the weakest dictator, varied from U.S.-based members by only one percentage point. Results were almost as close in the selection of Mao Tse-Tung as the strongest of the strong men.

As to the reaction abroad should America try to enforce the Monroe Doctrine in Cuba, opinions differed according to area. In Europe the reaction would be "very favorable to U.S.", according to 46%, while 75% voted "mildly" to "very favorable." In Latin America, also, 60% of the membership felt the reaction would vary from "mildly" to "very favorable." But most of the members gauged the Far East and Middle East reaction either "neutral" or from "mildly" to "very unfavorable."

The quantity of replies and the speed with which members returned their questionnaires were reported as highly satisfactory by the Elmo Roper organization which conducted the survey for the OPC.

A full report of the survey will be published in the Bulletin next week.

mates of other cells in the same condition.

Astonished, we saw a half-hundred armed men stationed on the roof, giving the impression of a firing squad. We stood there for more than two hours, trembling with cold and suffering all types of mistreatment. They took away our rings, gold chains and watches. One of the inmates, exhausted by the blows, was unable to take off his ring. He was immediately helped by a bayonet thrust that split his finger and took the ring off. There were 60 wounded that night. Personally I suffered four bayonet thrusts in the back and two rifle butt blows on the head... I want to formulate a public call to the free countries of the Occidental World so that help may liberate my friends and companions still in prison..."

The five key speakers at the OPC dinner are in the process of establishing New York City headquarters with an information coordinator. They will then travel to Mexico where teams are being organized to spread this same message throughout the Americas.

WITH NOBJUM THROUGH THE HIGH HIMALAYAS

(Ed. Note: The following is an article written for Times Talk, June 1960 issue, by NY Times and OPC Bulletin correspondent Paul Grimes.)

New Delhi, India

Nobjum and I weren't exactly made for each other, but we were together almost constantly for eleven days. In fact, I was more dependent upon her than I've ever been upon any other female, even my wife.

Nobjum, I should explain, is a mule. She is the solemn-faced, sure-footed, 8-year-old who carried me on her back (photo below) for six days recently from the Indian frontier to Paro in central Bhutan. Then we separated for a week while I cavorted with a few humans who rule and farm the country. Then Nobjum, dependable as ever and forgiving my neglect, carried me five more days back to India.

If there had been no Nobjum, there would have been no trip for me to Bhutan. Next year, maybe, I will be able to go by jeep, but construction of the first motor road in the remote Himalayan kingdom has just been started.

This was the first time that newsmen had been admitted to Bhutan and permitted to write freely about it. Last year a British reporter spent three months there, but he was a close friend of the ruling family and felt morally restrained in his writing.

Preparations in Order

Only one American, a Pennsylvania glass manufacturer who attended Oxford with Bhutan's Queen, had been in Bhutan before the Government invited Henry S. Bradsher of the A. P. and myself with a Times of London man and five Indian newsmen two months ago.

In many respects, our odyssey probably resembled Stanley's search for Dr. Livingstone. Certainly, twentieth-century Bhutan is no more advanced than nineteenth-century central Africa.

Except where the road has been started, the country has no wheels, not even for mule carts. It has no electricity, flush toilets, hotels, newspapers or theatres. It has only two physicians for its 700,000 inhabitants.

This meant that preparations by wary newsmen for a journey to the interior were tremendous. They began long before we left steaming New Delhi, truly a jet-age capital compared with Paro.

Loyal wives combed the New Delhi bazaars for DDT, insect repellent (which leaked liberally on the unpressurized flight to the frontier), color film and rock salt to repel leeches. Two of the group (myself excluded) got up at 5 o'clock every morning for three weeks to learn riding at the Delhi Polo Club. In Bhutan, they were the first in our party to fall from their mules.

What we didn't take ourselves, the

Bhutanese Government sent with us on the backs of mules or human porters. Many of our rations were canned delicacies from Calcutta. An Indian cook from a Calcutta night club was sent ahead to Paro to prepare the suckling pig and souffles that graced our dinner tables there.

The Government even attempted to ply us with British cigarettes, although I usually declined in favor of the three cartons of Luckies I had bought in Calcutta. One morning, however, I accepted when a young guide ran half a mile to catch Nobjum and me, then thrust out a can of State Express 555 and panted: "Cigarette—take please."

To repay in part the Bhutanese hospitality and to ease any feeling of obligation, we carried gifts for the royal family and leading officials and liberally tipped our guides and muleteers. We had to accept the hospitality because, without the Government's aid in commandeering mules and porters and arranging accommodations, we could not have seen Bhutan at all.

The trip was limited to the southern hills and central valleys of western Bhutan. We were usually dependent upon interpreters supplied by the Government. We had complete freedom in Paro and along the way, however, to visit villages, farmhouses, monasteries, schools and fortresses and talk with whomever we wanted.

It was no vacation. If I had been the only reporter in the party, perhaps I would have insisted upon an occasional hour to fish for trout in mountain streams, hunt a wild elephant or roam leisurely through the wooded hills. But when eight newsmen are together, each seeking an exclusive that isn't there, little relaxation is possible.

Gentlemen's Agreement

We agreed at the start that no one would file before our return to Calcutta. It would not have been possible to file, anyway, for Bhutan's few wireless stations could not have handled news stories in addition to their normal flow of Government messages. But this did not deter each one of us from watching every move of the others.

Once on a narrow mule track that crossed a 10,000-foot-high pass, a reporter focused a Rolleiflex (one of his three cameras) on the distant haze. Immediately the rest of us began focusing cameras too. No one seemed to know what picture he was trying to get, but no one was going to take a chance on missing something.

At a dinner party in Paro, I began chatting with Lhendup Dorji, a brother



Paul Grimes and Nobjum, accompanied by guides and muleteers on Bhutan trip.

of the Prime Minister. Like me, he had attended Cornell. We were sharing reminiscences of various Ithaca night spots when another reporter hurriedly joined us. The expression on the reporter's face indicated severe suspicion that Mr. Dorji must at least have been divulging to me secret information on Bhutan's plans to thwart Chinese Communists.

One newsman became greatly disturbed one afternoon in Paro when the Times of London man and an Indian reporter "disappeared" for two hours. They explained later that they had been shopping for silver jewelry, but this did not dispel the disturbed reporter's doubts.

Physically, the trip proved less strenuous than we had expected. Nobjum and I never really trusted each other, but we declared a watchful truce after my first day's sores had been healed by eight hours of sleep and a liberal dose of liniment.

The real enemies were the drenching mountain rains and the leeches—the millions of them that wriggled in the mule track and clung to bushes and trees, waiting for humans and mules whose blood they could suck. Fortunately, I became the victim of only two—clever creatures that crawled through the laceholes of a shoe, penetrated a woolen sock and attached themselves to my right foot.

Custom-made Thatched Motel

At Paro we stayed in a long, one-story, thatched building that was divided into eight suites. We were told that five hundred Bhutanese had spent two months building it for us. It was vaguely reminiscent of an American motel—without television or a swimming pool.

My suite consisted of a small bedroom (the bed even had a mattress!), a dressing room with pails of cold and warm water that was replenished periodically, and a cubicle with a four-foot-deep hole on the floor (its purpose was obvious). At my beck was a smiling young attendant who insisted on blabbering to me in Bhutanese and fingering the lenses of my cameras.

Ever try to take notes on muleback? I did for a while—because the A. P. man did. I soon gave up, however, in favor of coaxing Nobjum and absorbing the sometimes spectacular views of roaring waterfalls, distant mule trains and towering peaks.

The only time I felt in real danger was when we climbed 2,400 feet—mostly on foot—from the floor of the Paro Valley to a Buddhist monastery called Taktsang (Tiger's Lair). It clings to the face of a cliff. There were two routes to it. One called for an ascent of two ladders that had nothing below them but death.

I balked. I dared not risk dropping a camera.

Paul Grimes.

Papers In 20 Languages

Did you know that every day newspapers are printed in 20 languages in the United States? That the Declaration of Independence was first printed in a German-language paper?

The part which 675 non-English publications play in American journalism will be topic of an unusual Open House program Tuesday evening, Aug. 2, with *Edward Hunter* as guest of honor. Hunter, well known to OPC as INS war correspondent and inventor of the word "brainwashing," is author of the just-published volume *In Many Voices — A Study of Our Fabulous Foreign-Language Press*.

Participants in a distinguished panel Tuesday night will include: *Andrew Valusek*, editor of Czech and Slovak dailies *New Yorkske Listy* and *New Yorksky Dennik* and Chairman, Foreign Language Editors Assn.; *Ignace Morawski*, publisher and editor, Polish daily *Nowy Swiat*; *Michel Cieplinski*, President Inter-Racial Press and Dir., Nationalities Div., Democratic Natl. Comtte.; *Dr. Ludwig Oberndorf*, managing editor *N.Y. Staats-Zeitung & Herold*; *Stanley Ross*, editor and associate publisher of Spanish *El Diario De Nueva York*; *Manfred George*, editor weekly *Aufbau*, and others.

Cocktails at 6:30, dinner 7:30. Reservations please.

PEOPLE & PLACES

Wm. Frye leaves White Plains Hosp July 30, and will recuperate at home for 10 days.

DEPARTURES: *Gordon C. Hamilton*, Aramco pr dept. NY, off for Beirut for relief assignment during Aug with pr dept of Trans-Arabian Pipe Line Company while Tapline's pr mgr *Homer Metz* is away on long leave.... *Kenneth Koyen*, dir. pr for Brit. Travel Assoc., off to British Isles for August conferences.... *Wilfred May* in Chicago covering convention for Financial & Economic Chronicle.

ARRIVALS: *Ray & Hanny Josephs* back from extensive trip thru Europe and MidEast and varied assignments.... *Fernand Auberjonois*, Toledo Blade European correspondent, back from 8 weeks in Asia with pix & material for Blade series — 22 stories.

STORK CLUB: The *Robert Coles* welcomed new daughter (the 3rd), Rosemary, on July 16.... *Lee Pitt & wife Nancy* recently had first baby — girl named Susan Rachel.

PUBLICATIONS: 3 recent Look issues carried articles by senior ed *Robert Mosk* resulting from Korea & Japan assignment trip. The first, "The Shocking Story of Our Army in Korea" (March 1 issue) was reprinted in Congressional Record A Korean edition of *Tom Mahoney's* "Great Merchants" has been published in Seoul.

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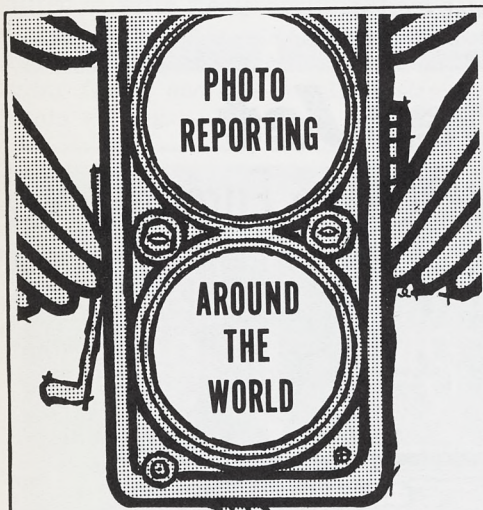
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OPC Award Winner: *Herald-Trib's* Rome Bureau Chief Barrett McGurn makes first visit to Clubhouse since winning OPC's 1957 Award for Best Reporting from Abroad. L. to R., above: Robt. M. Whitell, President & Editor and Fendall Yerxa, V. Pres. and Managing Editor, both of *NY Herald Tribune*; McGurn, and President John Luter. Author of *Decade in Europe*, McGurn gave a loud "Yes" to question: "Is Europe Still of First Value in World Affairs?" Toughest assignments in his career were a massacre in Algeria, witnessing a witchcraft killing in the Congo, getting answers in Moscow, he said. Important word for new journalists from veteran McGurn: "Cover the good news, not just the bad."

"Dinner On The House" For Friday Eve Diners

Beginning Friday, Aug. 5, the House Operations Committee will offer a "Dinner on the House" prize for Friday evening diners at the OPC.

The prize, covering the food tab and tip for an OPC member and one guest, will be a regular Friday feature except for special program nights.

The drawing will be held at 8 p.m. each Friday in the dining room. The winning ticket will be selected from the numbered receipts torn from the bottom of the members' dinner checks. Early diners, who have to leave prior to the 8 p.m. drawing, will be eligible for "Dinner on the House" providing they leave their numbered dinner receipts with the waitress.

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NEW MEMBERS

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Sid Goldberg — North American Newspaper Alliance
Nino Lobello — McGraw-Hill World News, Rome
Jhan Robbins — free lance
June Mellies Robbins — free lance

ASSOCIATE

Max Brandel — political caricaturist for *Chicago Tribune-NY News*
Robert Cecil — British Inform. Serv. N.Y.
Rhea T. Eskew — UPI Atlanta, Ga.
L.L.L. Golden — Editorial writer, RCA
William Carrington Guy — *Cosmopolitan Mag.*
Ted Kavanaugh — *Holiday Magazine*
Henry Bartley Lee — *USIA Nicaragua*
Alan Levy — *Louisville Courier-Journal*
Arthur William Rabin — CBS
Martin R. Reynolds — News Editor, Caracas
Peter William Rodger — News Editor, Rio de Janeiro
George B. Schless — *Press-Independent* (Emporium, Pa.) 1934/40
Robert C. Sorensen — *This Week Magazine*
Miriam Stuart — *Universal Press Assn.*

SHANGRI — L.A.

CBS reports that their newsman Lowell Thomas, who knows his way around Tibet, the Far North and other corners of the world, got lost in the maze of corridors at the L.A. Sports Arena.

GERMAN CONSUL GENERAL PRESENTS BOOKS TO OPC

German Consul General Dr. Georg A. Federer presented the OPC Library with a collection of books about his country on July 25.

At a reception sponsored by the Club's Library Committee, the books were accepted by committee chairman Rohama Lee and Pres. John Luter. The affair, which was attended by a group of correspondents (formerly stationed in Germany) and others, is expected to be the first of a series. Other countries are believed planning to add to the library's resources in preparation for an eventual move to a World Press Center.

Who's Who, *Book of German Speeches*, *Documenta* (paintings, sculpture, graphics), *The Four Power Agreements on Berlin*, *New German Architecture*, *German Photography*, *World Powers & Germany*, and the most recently-published *Statistical Yearbook* were among the 36 gifts presented.

An unexpected but welcome guest at the reception was State Secretary Felix von Eckardt, chief press officer for West Germany, who dropped in at the Club en route to the Chicago convention where he will represent his government as an observer.

Gifts To WPC Fund Drive

Two recent contributions to the World Press Center fund drive are announced by Charles E. Campbell, Jr., chairman of the International Gifts Committee.

They are an offer by the Tunisian Government to provide some furnishings for the new Center and a check for \$250 from the American Friends of the Middle East.

ROSS TO HEAD NEW COMM: WORK & CHARTER TRAVEL

President John Luter has appointed Madeline D. Ross to serve as Chairman of a new Committee — OPC Work Tours and Charter Travel.

While a Board Member, Miss Ross organized OPC's first and only Club-sponsored Press Trip. It covered 8 countries of South America, August 1956.



The Committee has been formed in response to considerable interest in press trip possibilities and to avail members of the greatly reduced rates of chartered flights. It is hoped members will be afforded travel opportunities hitherto unavailable.

Within the next few weeks, each member will receive a questionnaire. Those interested are advised to return it promptly so that the Committee may correlate and consider suggestions and requests in planning.

Along with the Chairman, the Committee includes: DeWitt S. Davidson, P.R. Director of The Caples Co.; Malcolm McT. Davis, Editor of *Travel*; Louis J. Garcia, P.R. Director of Panagra; Richard Joseph Travel Editor, *Esquire*; Robert S. Kane, travel writer; and Admiral Harold B. Miller, P.R. Director, Pan American World Airways.

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